



PHOTOGRAPHS BY TARA MURPHY — SPARTAN DAILY

June Morse Bates does a tarot card reading at the New Age Renaissance Fair on Sunday at the convention center. Bates,

who specializes in tarot card readings and psychic impressions, says she has been psychic all her life.

Forum brings out realities of global hunger

By DEBRA MYERS
Spartan Daily Staff Writer

After a few years in college, Eddie Pugh fought fires for the Campbell Fire Department. He didn't realize that someday he would live under a bridge.

Pugh talked about his experience of being homeless in front of an audience of about 20 people at a forum on "Global and Local Realities of Hunger" on Monday in the Student Union Amphitheatre.

"We need to get at the root of the problem," Pugh said. "We need to rethink our priorities."

Pugh currently works in conjunction with SJSU's Student Homeless Alliance and has founded a coalition for the homeless and worked to develop a grievance procedure to promote more humane treatment for people in shelters.

Pugh, who was born in Arkansas in 1953, said the relatively recent development of robotics and the government of the Reagan and Bush years have contributed to the increase in

homelessness within the past decade or so.

"The first time I saw a homeless mother with her children was in 1982," Pugh said.

The "rich, middle-class, poor" structure of society in America has been replaced with a "super-rich, rich, poor, super-poor structure," he said.

"There are more African Americans in the prison system than in the college system," Pugh said.

Pugh said his solution lies in "commonism," a common interest and sharing among all people, rather than "capitalism that has failed."

The forum, part of the week-long Hungerfest '92 partially funded by Associated Students, also featured José Villa, professor in the College of Social Work, Susanna Jones, a Student Homeless Alliance representative, and Cobie Harris, an assistant professor in political science.

Thomas Wessel, a graduate student in mathematics and one

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Michael Berry, owner of Sourcepoint, a holistic health organization located in downtown San Jose, performs relaxation therapy on Cynthia Weymand.

Self-empowerment, spirituality themes of Renaissance Fair

By BRIAN WACHTER
Spartan Daily Staff Writer

"I can see into the future," said Jodi Beth, smiling beneath her sequined yellow cloth hat.

Psychic Jodi Beth took customers on a \$15, 15-minute guided excursion into their destinies at last weekend's New Age Renaissance Fair downtown at the convention center.

"I say to people, 'If you continue on the path you're going on, this is what will happen.' I teach people self-empowerment. Many who come to me don't have a very positive self-image, but everyone has their own answer inside," said Jodi Beth, who has given readings for "a couple years."

She was one of about 20 psychics at the fair, which cost \$5 to enter.

Once inside, the fair attendee was ensconced in incense and the spacey flutes and drums of Tajalli Talisman and the Rainforest Band. Feathered American-Indian jewelry was sold in the stall next to an acupuncture demonstration, which faced a natural skin-products booth. Occult books, natural foods, aura photography and massage were all in the colorful cornucopia of the fair.

And they all beckoned to the wallets of browsers.

"Most of the people here are manipulators or manipulees, and the cash is the lifeblood of the transaction," said Blake Ross, an SJSU psychology senior at the fair to promote Sufism, a branch of Islam engaged in "the search for knowl-

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Satellite forum to discuss methods of enhancing campus race relations

By DON MCGEE
Spartan Daily Staff Writer

"Enhancing Race Relations on Campus" — a live interactive satellite conference — will be available for SJSU students, faculty and staff to view on Wednesday from 10 a.m. to noon in the Engineering Building, room 189.

The conference will give participants the chance to make comments, offer suggestions or ask questions via satellite.

It will offer SJSU the opportunity to participate in a national discussion on ways to improve race relations on college campuses, said Ray Lou, associate academic vice president for undergraduate studies at SJSU.

The satellite broadcast will bring together a panel of experts who will discuss positive methods, solutions, programs and

strategies to enhance race relations on American college and university campuses, according to event organizers.

Panelists for the event include, William E. Kirwan, president of the University of Maryland-College Park, Julianne Malveaux, a columnist and television/radio commentator on economic and social political issues, Evelyn Hu-DeHart, professor of history at the University of Colorado at Boulder, and James Anderson, dean of undergraduate studies at North Carolina State University.

Cox, Matthews and Associates Inc. — publishers of Black Issues in Higher Education — will present the live satellite broadcast.

Admission is free. For more information, contact the SJSU undergraduate studies office at 924-2447.

Acclaimed author to discuss U.S. globalism, economic crisis

By SEAN COOPER
Spartan Daily Staff Writer

Noted media critic, author and lecturer Michael Parenti will present "The Cost of Empire: U.S. Globalism and the Economic Crisis" tonight at 7:30 in Morris Dailley Auditorium in a benefit appearance for the SJSU Student Homeless Alliance and the San Jose Peace Center.

Parenti is the author of eight books, including "Inventing Reality," the recent "Make Believe Media: The Politics of Film and Television" and numerous articles on the media, politics and culture. He has been a major voice for the political left for nearly three decades.

Parenti's lecture will focus on the global impact of what he calls "American imperialism."

"I will be posing the question: Why is the U.S. involved all over the world all the time?" Parenti said. "I'm going to argue that this involvement does not represent the interest of the American people, but does represent the interest of corporations."

Parenti said that continued

American intervention on a global scale is not only the cause of great political and social turmoil in other nations, but that it also lies at the root of economic turmoil at home.

"This empire, and that's what it is — an empire, comes at a tremendous cost to our own economy and our own people," he said.

Parenti received his doctorate from Yale in 1962 and has taught at several universities throughout the United States, including State University of New York at Stony Brook, the University of Vermont and Brooklyn College.

He recently moved to Berkeley from Washington D.C. and works as an independent lecturer and author, speaking frequently about politics and the mass media throughout the country.

Mike Roberts, a sociology major and vice president of the SJSU Student Homeless Alliance, one of the groups which will benefit from Parenti's appearance, said Parenti will provide an

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SJSU students file brutality claim



PATTI EAGAN — SPARTAN DAILY

Israel Chavez, an aviation junior at SJSU, gives a press conference at the office of his attorney, Jessica Serna (left). Chavez has alleged that he was a victim of unsubstantiated and racially motivated police brutality.

By NICOLE SIRI
Spartan Daily Staff Writer

SJSU students Israel Chavez and Miguel Diaz filed a claim against the San Jose Police Department and the city of San Jose Monday, regarding alleged police brutality they suffered on Oct. 14 at the Alma Community Center in San Jose.

Chavez and his attorney, Jessie Serna, made the announcement at a press conference held at Serna's office Monday.

Chavez and Diaz, members of SJSU's Movimiento Estudiantil Chicano de Aztlan (MEChA), were at the center to attend a meeting in support of continuing education for high school students, Chavez said.

According to the claim, when Chavez and Diaz arrived at the center, they approached San Jose Police Officer David Storton, who was frisking a high school student they had worked with through MEChA. Storton allegedly grabbed Diaz by the arm and twisted it behind his back. He then called on his police radio for assistance, citing "gang problems."

When the other officers arrived at the center, Chavez said he was approached by Officer Tom Wilson and beaten with a police baton. Both students were then arrested.

Chavez, charged with trespassing and disturbing the peace, said the attack was racially motivated.

"I was beaten and considered a gang member just

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EDITORIAL

In an age of violence children are losing their innocence

Once upon a time a father could safely wait in a school parking lot for his daughter to finish a music recital without the fear of being killed by her classmates. An 8-year-old could open the door for big brother's friends without worrying about being tortured to death.

Anybody who was still living under these delusions of safety got a shock of reality last week. A few Bay Area kids seem to be infected with a blood lust which they have little qualms about satisfying.

In a time when an increasing number of children are getting in trouble with the law over increasingly more serious crimes, something is terribly wrong.

While the adults of a few generations ago worried about their kids' long hair or earrings, today's adults are often praying that they won't die at the hands of the neighborhood youngsters.

Everybody seems to have the same solution: discipline. The real argument comes when we start asking who is responsible for instilling this sense of discipline.

The answer is everyone who comes into contact with our youth.

With the increase of single-parent families and families in which both parents work, kids are increasingly left to their own devices. But that doesn't mean they should be any less well adjusted to the society in which they live.

Society needs to recognize these changing trends and accommodate them.

Parents need to talk to teachers to find out how their kids behave at school so they can be aware of possible problems and take care of them early.

Neighbors need to form a network where they feel comfortable looking after one another's children and telling each other about their children's behavior.

Simply talking over the backyard fence can help build this sort of neighborhood relationship.

Everybody needs to keep an eye on everybody else's kids, and kids need to know their parents care.

Sure, keeping track of the neighborhood kids is just one more thing to worry about, but when a problem affects every segment of society, it becomes everyone's duty to solve it.

In the end, the future of society is in the hands of our children.

Letters to the editor

All of us need to change

I was on the SJSU campus yesterday to attend an anti-racism forum called "Getting Along." I happened to pick up a SPARTAN DAILY, and I was surprised by the tone and shallowness of the column by Angela Hill on the topic of prejudice.

What Angela Hill had to say was not untrue, but it was remarkably incomplete. She identified European Americans as the source of racism and hateful acts, with African Americans as the victims.

In fact, the real world is more complicated than that, and it seems to me that the SPARTAN DAILY might want to present a more realistic picture.

Angela Hill promoted the stereotype that European Americans are not diverse, that we are somehow all alike, and basically a pretty bad bunch. However, European Americans are a remarkably diverse group — diverse by racial makeup, diverse by skin color, diverse by poverty vs. wealth, diverse as to how many generations have been here, and diverse by home country culture and language.

Angela Hill promoted the stereotype that European Americans are somehow more racist or especially racist when compared with other ethnic groups. This is completely untrue. When it comes to racism, lots of us European Americans have to stand back, and get way behind lots of other people.

Some evidence about this point is disclosed by the SJPD listing of hate crimes for 1991 in San Jose. These statistics disclose that there were 91 hate crime suspects in 1991, with only 22 of these suspects coming from the European American community. My source for this information is San Jose Deputy Police Chief Tom Shigamasu, a leader in the Japanese American community in San Jose, so I think it is pretty good information.

What it means is that European Americans are hate crime suspects in San Jose only 24% of the time, even though European Americans are 45% of San Jose's population.

Angela Hill promoted the stereotype that European Americans are never victims of hate crimes or hate speech. This is completely untrue. The 1991 San Jose hate crime stats show that there were 90 victims, and no fewer than 27 of the victims were European Americans, for a share of 30% of all victims.

So you see, the world isn't made of just evil, victimless European Americans, and victimized non-European Americans.

Angela Hill promotes the idea that only European Americans need to make changes to overcome prejudice — nothing could be further from reality. All of us need to change, and the only way to change is to have all the facts at our command.

Dale Warner
Attorney at Law



ED FOWLER — SPARTAN DAILY

So ... have you, um, you know, been tested?

Just had an AIDS test done," John said to me a few weeks ago. The woman he was dating asked him to take the test.

A lot of questions went through my mind. The first of which was how someone brings up the subject of HIV testing to the person they are dating.

"How did she ask you?" I said. "Did she just come out and ask or did she hint that she wanted you to take one?"

Being seven years older than John, who's 23, discussing AIDS hasn't been ingrained in my age group as much as it has been in his. It's not — although it should be — as easily brought up with my peers.

John said asking him to take the test was "no big deal" and said he agreed to take one as long as his girlfriend would do the same.

John described the process of taking an HIV test, since I had never taken the test myself.

He said he was somewhat embarrassed sitting in the waiting room at the public health clinic in San Jose. Before he took the test, a counselor talked to him about AIDS and answered the questions he had.

The free test, given at the Santa Clara County Health

Department's Central Clinic located on Lenzen Avenue, is an anonymous test. John was given a number to claim the results and never had to give his name or identify himself in any way at the clinic.

The test itself was a simple blood test, the results of which are available in two weeks. John was told he would be given "post-test counseling" when he picked up the results.

During the waiting period, John and I talked about the possibility of him testing positive.

He said he wasn't worried because he hadn't slept with "that many women" and the ones he had were "safe."

I told him he was very trusting to believe the women he slept with were telling the truth and I reminded him that it would take only one of those women to pass the HIV virus to him.

"I think I'm safe," John said. "Besides, it's harder for a woman to pass the virus to a man."

Although this is true, Dr. Robert Latta, interim director at the Student Health Services on campus said "worldwide, AIDS is increasing in women more than in men," and that "one should assume you can

get it (the HIV virus) from any sexual encounter."

Lisa, a 34-year-old single woman, takes the issue very seriously. Some might call her paranoid, others cautious. She takes an AIDS test every six months whether she has had a sexual relationship with a man or not in the past six months.

She believes the AIDS virus can be "dormant" in a person for six months and therefore the test should be taken every six months.

She said she feels better about herself if she can tell the man she's dating she tested negative for the HIV virus.

Latta doesn't necessarily agree with her reasoning. "My biggest concern is that people use the test as an excuse to justify their behavior. Anyone with multiple partners is taking a risk," Latta said.

He suggests getting to know one's partner and gaining trust in him or her before becoming intimate. He also suggests using a condom for protection for as long as a year after an HIV test if there is any doubt about one's partner.

Various authorities estimate 75 percent to 90 percent of the cases that are going to test positive will do so six weeks after taking the test, according to



Kara Garcia

Writer's Forum

Latta. He does not suggest taking multiple tests and said evaluating one's behavior to determine if one is taking part in "high risk" behavior, such as having multiple partners, is more important than taking a second test.

I admire John and his girlfriend for discussing the subject of AIDS. I applaud his girlfriend for insisting they both be tested. This kind of discussion can only lead to a more open and honest relationship between the two.

John tested negative. Anyone wishing to take an anonymous, free HIV test can call (408) 299-4151.

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Closing San Carlos Street would benefit SJSU

Last semester we enjoyed the many benefits of having San Carlos Street closed through campus: Faculty and students along San Carlos Street could hear the lectures and discussions in their classrooms. Pedestrians could cross San Carlos Street daily, assured no cars would run the red lights. And members of the campus and downtown community could gather on San Carlos Street to share the International Food Festival, Earth Day and other special activities.

Now that the trial closure period has ended and the street is reopened for the time being, a public forum to help determine the future of San Carlos Street has been set for 7 p.m. on Wednesday in Morris Dailey Auditorium. I encourage all of you with an interest in having San Carlos Street closed permanently to attend this meeting and present your opinions to City Councilman David Pandori and members of the University Environs Task Force.

Pandori chairs the task force that over the past 18 months has studied the street closure and a variety of other issues of concern to the campus and surrounding communities.

The City Council voted almost two years ago to take the first step necessary to close San Carlos Street where it currently bisects our campus. The council changed the designation on the road from "major collector" to "neighborhood street." The council can close a neighborhood street with a vote and appropriate environmental impact studies.

Neighborhood street. I think that really describes what San Carlos is. San Jose State University is itself a neighborhood. And together with the surrounding homes and businesses, we comprise an even larger neighborhood. That is one of the main reasons we are asking the council to close the street — to unify the north and south portions of our campus and bring our neighborhood together.

In the area of campus plan-

ning, for example, the university has established a new subcommittee under the Campus Planning Board to increase the dialogue and information-sharing between the university and the community. It will be a sounding board where information can be shared on campus planning issues.

The funding to begin the preliminary work on the landscaping projects was contained in Proposition 153, the higher education capital outlay bond act passed by the voters in June. The state budget process authorized \$216,000 for the preliminary plans and working drawings, and the money must be encumbered during this fiscal year. Typically, construction funds for a bond project will be authorized the following year as long as the project falls within its original scope and budget. Those bond funds — \$3.5 million for the street projects — must be encumbered within one year and spent in three years.

While it may seem incongruous to be allocating money



J. Handel Evans

President's Message

for street projects while we have such severe shortages in the classroom, the delineation between operating and capital outlay monies is clearly marked. And, these capital funds will enable us to fulfill our long-standing commitment to the city to rehabilitate streets once they are closed.

I look forward to seeing many of you at 7 p.m. on the 18th.

Open letter from J. Handel Evans, President (Interim) to San Jose State University students

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The San José State calendar

Today

ANTHROPOLOGY CLUB: Archaeology talk by graduate student Jeff Hamilton, noon, BT 350, call 848-3604 or 924-5347.

BAPTIST STUDENT MINISTRIES: Lifestyle meeting, noon - 1 p.m. and 6 - 7 p.m., SU Pacheco Room, call 925-2980.

CAREER PLANNING AND PLACEMENT: Allied Health: Healthy Careers for the 90's, 1:30 p.m., SU Costanoan Room; Wells Fargo Bank — Employer Presentation, noon - 2 p.m., SU Almaden Room, call 924-6033.

CHEMISTRY DEPARTMENT: Guest Speaker, Dr. Peter Nemes, UC Santa Cruz, Protein Folding, 4:30 - 5:30 p.m., Duncal Hall 250, call 924-2525.

HUNGERFEST: Resource Faire, 10 a.m. - 2 p.m., Art Quad; Rally Against Hunger Raffle, Great Prizes, noon, SU Amphitheatre; Seminar in Fasting, 3:30 - 4:00 p.m., SU Costanoan Room, call 298-0204.

INSTITUTE FOR SOCIAL RESPONSIBILITY: "Getting Along: Planning and Assessing Interracial Events," 10:30 - 11:45 a.m., SU Loma Prieta Room, call 924-3743.

MARKETING CLUB: Pizza Party, 3:30 p.m., SU Almaden Room, call 243-3497.

MECHA: General meeting, 5 p.m., Chicano Resource Center, call 929-0554.

OVEREATERS ANONYMOUS: General meeting, 12:30 - 1:20 p.m., Administration Building, 222B, call 251-5430.

SCHOOL OF ART AND DESIGN: Tuesday Night Lecture Series: Peter Gordon, curator of San Jose Museum of Art, 5 - 6 p.m., Art Building 133; Student Galleries Art Reception, 6 - 8 p.m., Art Building, call 924-4330.

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AIIESEC: General meeting, 5:30 - 6:30 p.m., BC 208, call 363-9843.

AL-ANON: General Meeting, noon - 12:50 p.m., Administration Building 269, call (510) 483-2084.

ALCOHOLICS ANONYMOUS: Weekly meeting, 12:15 p.m., Campus Ministry Center, call (415) 595-2103.

ASSOCIATED STUDENTS: Board of Directors Meeting, 3 p.m., SU Council Chambers, call 924-6240 or 924-6255.

A.S. PROGRAM BOARD: Wednesday Nite Cinema, "A League of Their Own," 6 p.m. and 9 p.m., SU Ballroom, call 924-6261.

CAREER PLANNING AND PLACEMENT: Co-Op Orientation 11 a.m., SU Almaden Room; Orchestrating a Career in Music, 1:30 p.m., SU Almaden Room; Resume Writing for Teacher Candidates, 5:30 p.m., Engineering 189, call 924-6033.

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Police: Students file suit against police

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because of the color of my skin," Chavez said.

Chavez said the San Jose Police Internal Affairs Department is acting in the best interests of the police officers instead of investigating them for their actions.

"Internal Affairs is a farce, and I'm totally disgusted with the department," Chavez said.

The charges originally were supposed to be against the police officers, but Serna said that since Internal Affairs is working hand-in-hand with the police officers, her clients decided to file a complaint and suit against the officers and Internal Affairs.

San Jose Police Sgt. Dennis

CATHOLIC NEWMAN COMMUNITY: Exploring the Catholic Faith, 7 - 8 p.m., Campus Ministry Center, call 298-0204.

CHILD DEVELOPMENT CLUB: General meeting, 2:45 p.m., SH 303, call (510) 791-0850.

DEPARTMENT OF BIOLOGICAL SCIENCES: Seminar by Dr. Sally Veregge, "Electrophysiological studies of a convulsant gonadal steroid in the rat brain" 1:30 p.m., Duncal Hall 135, call 924-4900.

FANTASY AND STRATEGY CLUB: Triple Whammy: Mythos, Metatraveller, Illuminati, 6 p.m., SU Pacheco Room, call 924-7097.

HUNGERFEST: Concert, Ray Manzerce, formerly of The Doors, noon, SU Ballroom; Resource Faire 10 a.m. - 2 p.m., Art Quad; Fasting Seminar, Dr. Mira Zussman, 4 - 5 p.m., SU Costanoan Room; Movie "A League of Their Own," bring two canned foods for free admission, 5 p.m. and 7 p.m., SU Ballroom, call 298-0204.

LE CERCLE FRANCAIS AND EL CIRCULO HISPANICO: Book Fair, 9 a.m. - 1 p.m., SH entrance, call 924-4612.

METEOROLOGY DEPARTMENT: Seminar, "Evolution of Martian Atmosphere," 4 p.m., call 924-5200.

NATIONAL PRESS PHOTOGRAPHER'S ASSOCIATION: "One Summer at National Geographic," 7:30 p.m., A.S. Council Chambers, call 924-3245.

SEMINAR: "After the Elections: Campus and Community — What Next?" Lecture by Former New Mexico Governor, Tony Anaya, 7 p.m., Science Building 258, call 924-2518.

SJSU CYCLING TEAM: Unscheduled Meeting, 7 p.m., call 924-8383 for location.

SJS GREENS: General meeting, 5 - 6 p.m., SU Almaden Room, call 978-7359.

SJSU INTERNATIONAL CENTER: Cultural Exchange Night, 7:30 p.m., 360 S. 11th St., call 924-6570.

SJSU WING CHUN ASSOCIATION: General meeting, 7 - 9 p.m., Women's Gym Patio Area, call 249-9573.

SPARTAEROBICS: Sign up for Aerobic classes, 8:30 - 4:30 p.m., AS Business Office, call 924-5960.

STUDENT AFFILIATION FOR ENVIRONMENTAL RESPECT (S.A.F.E.R.): Weekly meeting, 4 p.m., Washington Square Hall 115, call 924-5468.

STUDENT HEALTH SERVICES AND HEALTH EDUCATION DEPARTMENT: Preventive Health Services: Colds and Flu, noon - 1 p.m., Health Building 208, call 924-6117.

STUDENT SOCIETY FOR TECHNICAL COMMUNICATION: Monthly meeting, All About Internships, 7 p.m., SU Costanoan Room, call 428-6173.

Film shows Malcolm X's latter years

*Departments
cooperate to bring
documentary to SJSU*

By DEBRA MYERS
Spartan Daily Staff Writer

To coincide with the opening of the long-awaited Spike Lee movie, "Malcolm X," the music department, in cooperation with the African-American studies department, will show "By Any Means Necessary," a documentary film on the life of Malcolm X.

The film will be shown in room 150 of the Music Building at 1:30 p.m. on Wednesday.

"It's a historic collaboration at SJSU to show this film," said Hafez Modirzadeh, professor of jazz studies in the music department.

The film, which is currently not commercially available, was produced in 1972 by Marvin Worth who also co-produced the Spike Lee dramatization which will star Denzel Washington as the black leader who was killed in 1965.

The film, which was nominated for an Academy Award, chronicles the speeches and other events in the life of Malcolm X, with narration by James Earl Jones.

Modirzadeh said the film documents not only the earlier, more controversial part of Malcolm X's life, but also the later part of his life, after his pilgrimage to Mecca when he realized life is not about being a "good black or a good white," but about being a "good human being."

"It's very important to see that

side of Malcolm," Modirzadeh said.

Although mostly portrayed as an advocate of violence, unlike the non-violence of Martin Luther King Jr., Malcolm X was a multifaceted man who has been misrepresented because of his early philosophy which was "Afro-centric, countering white racism of his time," Modirzadeh said.

"It's an accurate representation of the various stages of Malcolm's life," said Steven Millner, associate professor of African-American studies. "It's a look at the real, authentic, unmitigated, classic Malcolm X."

Modirzadeh said people should equip themselves with the "real truth" before hearing or seeing anyone else's version. "Let the film speak for itself," he said.

Millner, who has suggested students in his African-American studies classes see the documentary, said the film deals with contemporary issues and is "one of the most important political commentaries on events during the 1960s."

Millner said he feels it is crucial students learn to grapple with social issues, in light of the 1992 presidential debates, and the film gives an "analysis of social conditions of blacks in the 1960s instead of the typical whitewash during the Kennedy years."

Modirzadeh said the 90-minute documentary differs from

Spike Lee's dramatization because Lee adds a lot of "his own self, his own interpretation."

Modirzadeh said it is a very timely film not only because of the release of Lee's film, but also because of renewed interest in social issues and the Malcolm X insignia.

He said, "Some people feel there is a resurgence of passion reminiscent of the '60s."

Modirzadeh said he hopes the renewal is not just a fad with no understanding of the deeper reasons for the events around the time of Malcolm X.

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Sacramento allows gay couples to formally register their relationships

SACRAMENTO (AP) — Unmarried couples can begin registering their relationships Monday at Sacramento City Hall as the city's new domestic partnership ordinance takes effect.

Gay men and lesbians say the new law recognizes the diversity in families.

"The domestic partners ordinance lets people know we are just human beings," said Michael Boyd, who hoped to be first in line with his partner.

"Some of us are weird, some of us are not — as in the straight community. We have cats and dogs and children, like everybody else."

The council adopted the ordinance by a 7-2 vote Oct. 13. Proposed by Mayor Anne Rudin, it extends certain privileges and limited benefits to unmarried people, including those of the same sex, who wish to register their partnerships.

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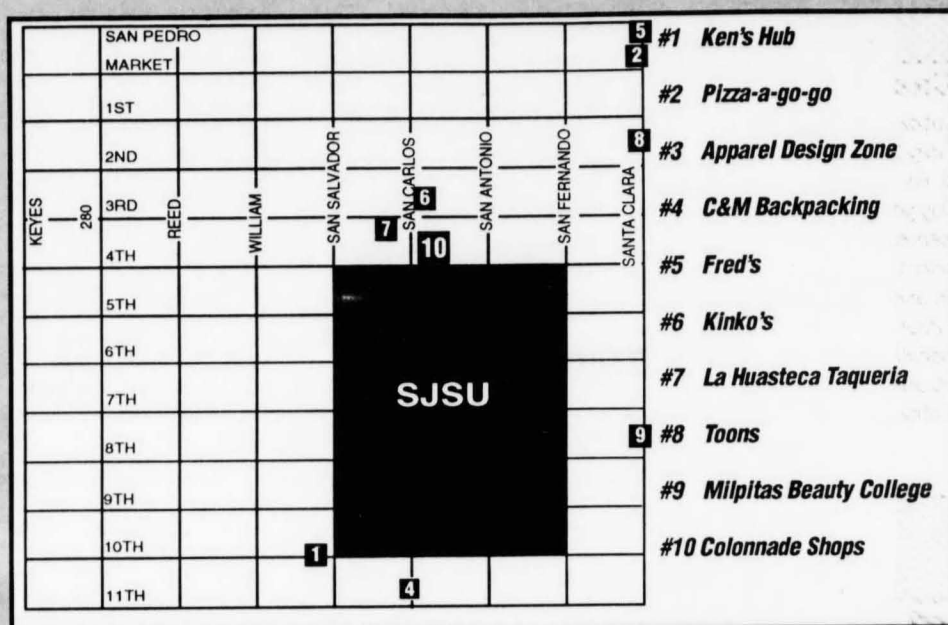
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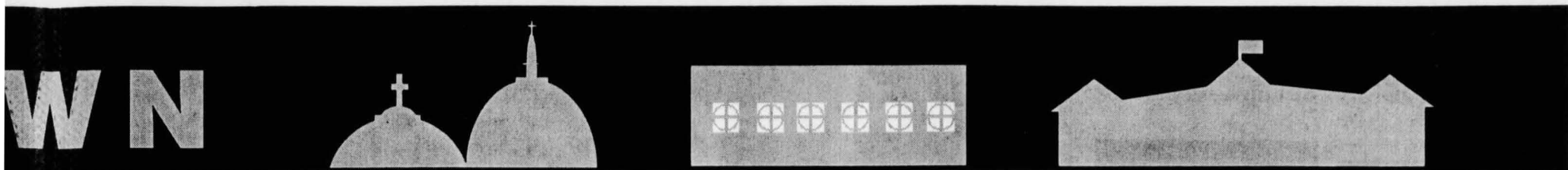
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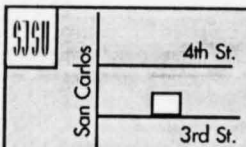
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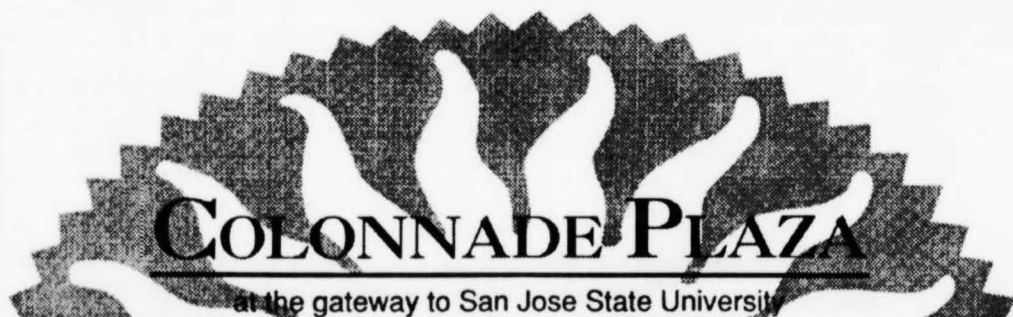


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'L.A. Four' may face stricter standards

Some supporters of Denny attackers fear race an issue

LOS ANGELES (AP) — "Free the L.A. Four!"

The cry is emblazoned on buttons and T-shirts. It echoes in the streets of South Central Los Angeles and the halls of the downtown courthouse. It's a repudiation of a justice system that, for many, failed the color-blind test with Rodney King.

Some supporters of four black men charged with beating and robbing white trucker Reginald Denny during the riots believe the four men will face a tougher standard of justice. The reason: their race.

They cite the high bail and the numerous charges against the four — and contrast it to what they contend is more lenient treatment of the four white police officers acquitted in King's beating.

The two cases have challenged black Americans' faith in the courts and once again spurred debate on whether the criminal justice system has two different yardsticks — one for blacks, one for whites.

Critics cite unfairness

Critics claim the system is unfair to blacks. They note racial disparities in prosecutions, convictions and sentences, and disproportionate numbers of blacks in prison and on death row. And they cite shocking statistics:

On any given day, nearly one in four of America's black males are in prison, jail, on probation or parole, according to The Sentencing Project, a Washington, D.C.-based advocacy group.

In 1989, more black men in their 20s were in prison than in college, said a study by the group.

It found that black men accounted for 44 percent of the nation's prison inmates, but only 6 percent of the population.

The Justice Department says blacks comprise 40 percent of death row prisoners, but 12.1 percent of the U.S. population.

"Race and class both play a role in determining the outcome of justice," contends Marc Mauer, The Sentencing Project's assistant director.

"What we see is a justice system based on discretion — from the police officer who makes the arrest to the prosecutor, the judge, the parole officer," Mauer said. "The problem is that the use of discretion has a racially disparate impact. It reflects the sum total of attitudes and behaviors in society."

Support for Mauer's contention

Some studies and experts support his argument.

A 1992 report by the Federal Judicial Center, the research arm of the federal courts, found the average sentence for blacks for drugs and firearms offenses was 49 percent longer than for whites in 1990.

In Dallas, the rape of a white woman resulted in a median sentence of 10 years; a Hispanic woman, five years; and a black woman, two years, according to a review of 1988 cases by the now-defunct Dallas Times Herald.

A conviction for the murder of a white person resulted in an average 30-year prison sentence, the newspaper reported in 1990. That compared with 20 years for the murder of a black person and 12 1/2 years for a Hispanic.

Despite those findings, some researchers insist there is no evidence of racial bias in America's justice system.

William Wilbanks, a criminologist at Miami's Florida International University, said his review of 30 years' research on the topic found no racial inequities in sentencing.

Most studies fail to account for mitigating factors such as prior arrest records, said Wilbanks, author of "The Myth of a Racist Criminal Justice System."

He cites a 1990 Rand Corp. study of 11,553 California offenders convicted in 1980 that found whites and minorities were treated equally. California's sentencing guidelines may account for the trend, according to the study.

Still, Wilbanks said, a belief persists on the streets that the justice system is racist.

"The average black believes he has a better chance if he's arrested

person. Who's telling him he's wrong?" he said. "No one's talking about the perception being false. And it's the perception that leads to riots."

Hours after the April 29 acquittals in the King beating, Denny's assault was broadcast live to a horrified nation. It became the most searing image of the Los Angeles riots.

After the smoke cleared, the justice system kicked into gear. Then-Police Chief Daryl Gates personally arrested one defendant, Damian Williams, saying he did it to "atone" for the attack.

Williams and two other men were charged with assault, torture, attempted murder and aggravated mayhem. Bail was set as high as \$580,000.

A fourth man accused of robbing Denny as he lay on the ground is being held on \$75,000 bail.

In the King case, the four officers charged were quickly released on bails ranging from \$5,000 to \$30,000. Acquitted by an all-white jury on state assault charges, they were released again on \$5,000 bail each when accused in a federal case of depriving King of his civil rights.

Low bail cause for anger

That low bail has enraged some involved in the Denny case.

"I know the reasons it had to be done. I know we're dealing with a racist system of whites against black folk," said Georgiana Williams after a municipal judge refused to lower the bail of her son, Damian.

"We have a lot of smoke and mirrors, a lot of innuendo, a lot of racial overtones in this case," defense attorney J. Patrick Magin said at the August bail hearing. "The reaction of the black community is, 'Hey, we're second-class citizens.'"

To some blacks, it was a part of a disturbing pattern.

In 1990, a black postman was sentenced to six months in jail for fatally shooting the dog of a white resident while delivering mail. He testified the dog was vicious and had bitten him before.

Last year, Soon Ja Du, a Korean grocer, received probation, community service and was fined \$500 for fatally shooting an unarmed black teen-ager, Latasha Harlins, in a shoplifting dispute in Mrs. Du's South Central Los Angeles market.

The white jurist, Superior Court Joyce Karlin, insisted the sentence was appropriate for a voluntary manslaughter conviction.

ney Ira Reiner injected another racial element when he used a challenge to remove Judge Roosevelt Dorn, who is black. Reiner claimed Dorn was too busy to handle the trial.

Dorn lashed back, saying, "It went out through the country that a black judge was not able to efficiently handle his calendar."

"I'm concerned not only that the defendants receive a fair trial but that the community gets the impression they are having a fair trial," Dorn said. "That impression is very important."

The episode showcased what critics see as another deficiency in the court system — too few blacks on the bench.

Dorn is the only black Superior Court judge trying cases in the Los Angeles County criminal courts' Central District, which encompasses most of the city.

Nationally, only 4 percent of nearly 12,000 state court judges are black.

Face potential life terms

Prosecutors also allege the Denny beating was gang-inspired, meaning that the defendants charged with assaulting Denny face potential life prison terms. The officers charged with beating King face up to 10 years in prison and \$250,000 fines if convicted on the federal charges.

Richard Millard, a member of the board of governors of California Attorneys for Criminal Justice, says the gang sentencing statute, like some drug laws, unfairly targets minorities.

"The gang laws are basically used to increase penalties on blacks and minorities, to keep them down," said Millard, a veteran public defender now in public practice. "In the Denny case, they've thrown the book at them. Whether or not it was gang-motivated, how does that affect the injuries to Mr. Denny?"

The riots have prompted some calls for reforms.

The NAACP Legal Defense and Educational Fund has urged lawmakers to restrict prosecutors' ability to eliminate blacks and other minorities from juries, especially in death penalty cases.

But the Sentencing Project's Mauer says reform must go beyond that.

"Essentially, the last 10 years have doubled the number of people in prison, but I don't know anyone who feels safer," he said.

"The record incarceration rate doesn't seem to have a dramatic impact on crime, but it does threaten to devastate an entire generation of young black men."

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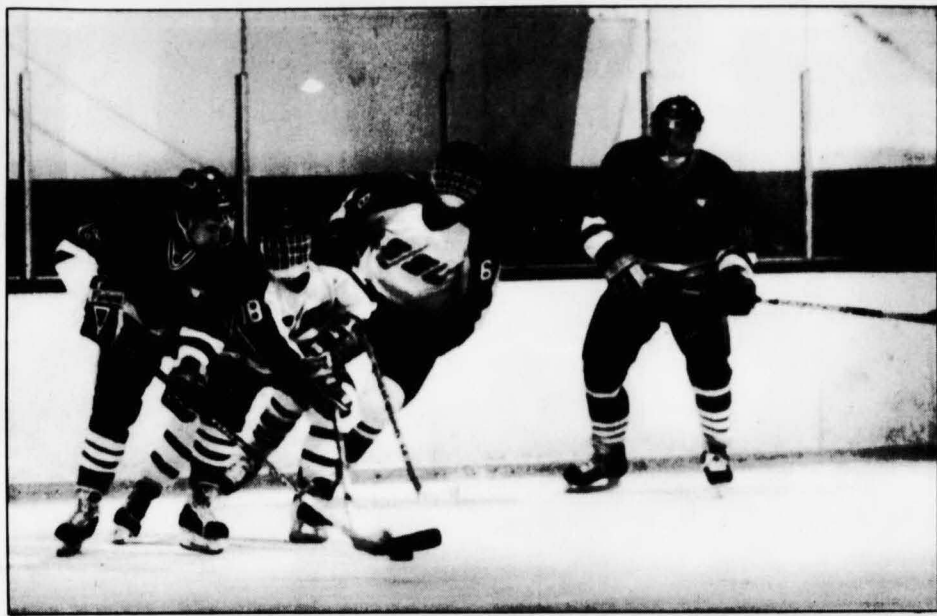
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The SJSU ice hockey club's Joseph Velas (#18) steals the puck during a game against the Outlaws, a club team, Saturday night at the Golden Gate Ice Arena. SJSU's original opponent, UCLA, forfeited.

SJSU gets cold shoulder from UCLA, wins two league games by forfeit

BY RACHEL LUTHER
Spartan Daily Staff Writer

The UCLA hockey team forfeited two games to SJSU this weekend, because of a lack of money.

UCLA, the only team in southern California, has to travel to northern California for most away games.

"It's got to be real tough on

those guys," said Lou Siville, goalie for SJSU.

Instead, the Spartans played the Outlaws and the Whalers who are part of a Bay Area league. SJSU fell to the Outlaws 5-2 and the Whalers 6-4.

"They are real competitive," Siville said. "They like to hit a lot and shoot the puck real good."

"It was a better practice than

UCLA," Siville said. "They (UCLA) aren't doing too good in the league." The last two games against UCLA, SJSU won 13-1 and 10-1.

Along with this weekend's two forfeited wins, SJSU's league record is 4-2.

SJSU's next game is Dec. 6 against an opponent that is yet to be determined.

Injured Cofer forces changes

SANTA CLARA (AP) — A shoulder injury to place-kicker Mike Cofer could force some changes in the San Francisco 49ers' kicking game.

Coach George Seifert said Monday that Cofer may still be able to kick field goals and extra points next Sunday against the Los Angeles Rams but that he probably wouldn't be able to kick off.

Rookie punter Klaus Wilmsmeyer may handle kickoffs. The 49ers also plan to audition some kickers should they elect to sign a replacement for Cofer.

"Right now, I'm leaning toward Klaus (kicking off)," Seifert said.

Cofer suffered a dislocated right shoulder during the 49ers' 21-20 win Sunday over the New Orleans Saints. The injury occurred after the final kickoff when he tackled returner Fred McAfee.

After the game, Cofer had his arm in a sling and appeared to be

in some pain.

"On that last kickoff, (the shoulder) went out and came back in," Cofer said. "I'd like to think it's not really that bad."

He missed practice on Monday to have the shoulder examined.

"We're going to wait and see what happens but more than likely I'll be kicking off," Wilmsmeyer said. "I think I'll be ready for it."

Wilmsmeyer, who is averaging 38.2 yards per punt, said he has been practicing kickoffs two days a week as a matter of routine.

"I felt like I've been hitting the ball pretty strong for the last few weeks," he said.

Wilmsmeyer said that while he was out of practice, he also could kick field goals in an emergency. He noted that while playing for Louisville, he was 3-for-3 from beyond 50 yards. Cofer, who nearly lost his job after missing four of his first seven field goal tries, has

kicked well recently, converting eight of his past 10. He missed a 32-yard attempt against the Saints but came back to provide the winning margin, converting the extra point after Steve Young's touchdown pass to Brent Jones with 46 seconds left.

His kickoffs have been exceptional and in many cases, he prevented returns by sending the ball deep into the end zone.

Meanwhile, Seifert said there were no plans to put Joe Montana on the practice squad this week. Montana, who suffered a torn right elbow tendon last year and remains on injured reserve, said before the Saints game that he has thrown virtually pain free for the past two weeks.

Seifert also said nose tackle Michael Carter is still bothered by a left knee sprain and probably would be unable to play against the Rams.

SJSU volleyball beats Nevada, falls to UOP

Spartan Daily Staff Report

The season is slipping by for the SJSU women's volleyball team. The University of the Pacific defeated the Spartans in three games — 15-3, 15-2, 15-7 Saturday night at the Alex G. Spanos Center in Stockton.

Cristin Rossman led the Spartans with six kills and two block assists. Vikki Simonis was the big scorer for Pacific with 16 kills. The Tigers' Katy Eldridge finished the game with 12 digs.

The previous night the Spartans defeated

Nevada-Reno 15-7, 15-9, 15-11, 15-9 in Reno.

Leading the way for the Spartans once again was Rossman who finished with 12 kills. SJSU's Mindy Czuleger and Erin Ginney both had 13 digs.

Nevada was led by Jennifer White, who had 14 kills and 15 digs.

The weekend split puts the Spartans' record at 7-9 conference, 12-16 overall. The Spartans host Utah State Friday and Saturday at the Event Center in the team's final home appearance of the season. Both games start at 7:30 p.m.

Grayer honored as Big West's Defensive Player of the Week

Spartan Daily Staff Report

SJSU cornerback Dee Grayer was named the Big West Conference's Defensive Player of the Week on Monday.

Grayer won the honor after making a game-saving play in the Spartans' 28-27 win over the University of the Pacific Saturday in Stockton.

Grayer, a sophomore out of Santa Rosa, deflected a potential two-point conversion pass attempt with 53 seconds left in the game.

The victory kept alive the Spartans' hope for a third-straight Big West title and a trip to the Dec. 18 Las Vegas Bowl. Grayer also intercepted a pass in the third-quarter that led to SJSU's tying touchdown.

On offense, Nevada-Reno's Chris Vargas was named the Big West's Offensive Player of the Week. Vargas threw for 388 yards and five touchdowns in the second half of the Wolf Pack's 48-47 comeback win over Utah State. SJSU tailback Nathan DuPree, who rushed for 200 yards and 4 touchdowns on Saturday, was overlooked for the honor for the third consecutive week.

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Former Warrior Richmond signs contract extension with Sacramento

SACRAMENTO (AP) — Former Golden State Warriors shooting guard Mitch Richmond signed a contract extension Monday with the Sacramento Kings that reportedly pays \$3 million annually over five years.

The 6-5 Richmond leads the Kings in points per game and assists — 22.2 and 5.7 respectively — and scored a season-high 31 points in the Kings' 109-107 victory Sunday over the Cleveland Cavaliers.

The Kings declined to discuss the terms of Richmond's contract.

The Sacramento Bee reported Monday that the five-year pact would take effect when Richmond's current contract expires at the end of this season.

He currently earns \$1.1 million a year.

The 27-year-old Richmond, from Kansas State, was Golden State's first-round draft pick in 1988 and came to Sacramento last year in a trade.

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Hunger

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of the few audience members left at the end of the forum, said he thought the forum was "real unorganized" and "not well-publicized."

Wessel attributed the low turnout to the lack of publicity, a lack of concern among students involved in studying at this point in the semester and the cloudy, chilly weather.

Harris, who talked about the international problems of hunger in countries like Sudan and Somalia, said, "Hopefully now at the end of the Cold War, nations will be able to address hunger needs."

Harris urged students to lobby

city, state and federal representatives to place as much emphasis on the concern for human life as the concern for oil.

He said he was discouraged by the lack of international concern for hunger-ridden Third World nations after having seen the united front of troops pull together for oil in the Persian Gulf War.

"Food is becoming a strategic weapon," Harris said, referring to the political and militaristic issues of hunger in Somalia.

Pugh, on the other hand, said he wants to fix the problem of homelessness and hunger locally before helping internationally.

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"University Environs Task Force"
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Bill McPherson, left, from the Yoga Meditation Club of America, discusses Harry the pot-belly pig with Mary (declined to give last name). McPherson and Harry were at the New Age Renaissance Fair held Saturday and Sunday at the San Jose Convention Center.

New Age: Visitors find religion, goods on display

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edge."

"It doesn't make sense that there is some 'big man' up there. This idea of a patriarchy up in the sky — it doesn't exist. I'm here to rattle up people from different religions, to smash idols," Ross said from behind his dark sunglasses and his table full of Sufi books.

Raised a Roman Catholic — "It wasn't a bad experience" — Ross

wanted to look beyond the "meaningless ritual" of his childhood faith. He says he always had a spiritual interest, though, and turned to "satanical stuff" after Catholicism. But there were no answers in the black arts for him, and his questions remained.

It was the questioning nature of Sufism that attracted him.

"If you just accept what you are told, Sufism says, 'Shame on you!' I mean, I can't believe what a lot of these religions say is anything

more than symbol. I say, 'Show me.' There must be some essence beneath it all. Sufism is about your personal search beneath the surface."

He said many people who delve into the writings of master Sufis are pleased by their straightforward language but daunted by the responsibility of forming their own religious concepts.

"It doesn't have a lot of smell or sparkle; it isn't for everyone," but Sufism can "put your mind at ease without causing the complete depletion of your pockets."

The depletion of the world's forests is what's on the mind of Fred Wood of Berkeley's Earth Regeneration Society, who manned a table at the fair.

"We want to hit all different segments of society, explain what's going on in the environ-

ment," said Wood, an electrical engineer. "We figure there are a lot of forward-thinking people here, even though we question the scientific basis of a lot of what is being promoted here."

The society succeeded in persuading Oakland Congressman Ron Dellums to write a bill that proposes planting trees, cleaning up agriculture and developing cleaner technologies to reduce the amount of carbon in the atmosphere, the main cause of global warming, Wood said.

The bill has not been passed.

Around the corner from Wood, a woman was passing out the "Hypnotism Voice" magazine. Its headline read, "Hypnosis Creates 'Miracles On Demand.'"

As Jodi Beth said, "The mind tends to create its own reality."

Shark munches kayak but human passenger escapes

ANO NUEVO, (AP) — Ken Kelton says it will be awhile before he really understands just how close he came to being lunch for a great white shark that chomped on his kayak for an appetizer.

"Probably when I get back in the water I'll be scared," the 46-year-old San Franciscan said. "In the meantime, I'm going to hang on to this denial as long as I can."

Kelton and a friend almost became shark bait Saturday afternoon about 200 yards from shore near Ano Nuevo State Reserve,

about 40 miles south of San Francisco.

"At first I thought I had been bumped by a sea lion," Kelton said. "But when it didn't let go, I had a pretty good idea what was going on."

Kelton was attacked from behind and couldn't see the creature.

But his friend, Mike Chin, saw the whole thing. He told Kelton the shark had two-thirds of its body out of the water when it attacked, and that it was at least two feet longer than Kelton's 12-foot kayak.

"If I had seen him, I probably would have fainted dead away," Kelton said. "As it was, I was just trying to stay in the kayak. No way did I want to have to swim for it."

The shark thrashed the kayak about for 10 seconds, leaving teeth marks 16 inches across, before letting go. Kelton and Chin didn't waste any time making their escape to shore.

"There is nothing more fundamental than the fear of being eaten alive by a large carnivore," Kelton said. "I was paddling at a pretty good clip."

On the way back, Kelton felt the shark was following him and worried about the water pouring in through the holes the big fish chomped in the boat.

Back on land, Kelton had a new worry. Chin, he said had asked him about the dangers of sharks and he "just laughed it off."

"I think I might be getting a new sea-kayaking partner now," Kelton said.

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Student reigns as county queen

SJSU student Kimberly Wirth is this year's Miss Santa Clara County

By RACHEL LUTHER
Spartan Daily Staff Writer

Kimberly Wirth's hair is falling out.

No, not from some mysterious disease. Wirth is the 1992 Miss Santa Clara County and the reigning Queen of the Santa Clara County Fair.

"I have to use tons of bobby pins to keep my crown on. By the end of the year, I'm going to have to get elastic straps because I'll have no hair left," Wirth joked.

Wirth, who is a SJSU senior in psychology, will receive a \$2,000 scholarship and a \$500 wardrobe award at the end of her reign in June.

"I really wanted the scholarship because I will be supporting myself at graduate school (next year)," said Wirth who competed in the same pageant in 1989 and came in fifth.

Although the scholarship money was a big incentive, she thought the competition would be a lot of fun and a good experience.

"There were 12 girls who competed (in the pageant this year)," Wirth said.

The contest was judged in seven areas: community service, scholastic achievements, personality interview, a 10 minute memorized speech, evening gown, talent and communicative skills.

Wirth said the reason she entered this pageant was because it focused more on academics and talent rather than beauty.

"The one reason I entered this pageant was because I didn't have to wear a swimsuit," Wirth said.

"There is also a guy who is my equivalent," she said. In the men's competition there was more emphasis on academics and no talent portion, she said. "There are not that many male dancers around."

"I got my highest score in the personality interview; I love to talk," Wirth said.

Wirth admits she was a "nervous wreck" during her memorized speech.

"I had to go last, but I like to get up in front of people and do speaking."

For the talent part of the competition she used a familiar jazz routine. "It's quite a few years old, so I didn't do much preparing."

She has been dancing since she was 3, "from the moment I started walking."

"I started competing when I was 9 and have been in about 20 competitions since then," Wirth said.

"I do different types of dancing and some singing when I don't feel like dancing," Wirth said. "But it's not my strongest point."

Wirth's mother sews all her costumes and, "spends thousands on me to buy gowns and suits," Wirth said.

"Like most parents, I've been supportive of my kids," said Melanie Wirth, Kimberly's mother. "This pageant was a goal she had set for herself. I was thrilled for her and proud of her (when she won)."

"She is wonderful," said Ellen Chong, coordinator for special events for the Santa Clara County Fair Association. "She's (Kimberly) a great leader, and great in



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Kimberly Wirth, Miss Santa Clara will graduate from San Jose State with a degree in psychology in the spring. Wirth plans to later audition as a Great America dancer.

dealing with people.

"We never have any complaints," Chong said. "She never says no when we need her for an event."

Wirth's responsibilities include presiding as queen of the Santa Clara County Fair for its entire run. "I had to be at the fair from morning until night every day," she said.

Her other obligation is to Youth Focus Inc. The company handles the scholarships for the pageant.

"They sponsor other pageants, and I have to be there to dance, hand out awards and emcee," Wirth said.

At the end of her reign in June, she will compete in the Miss California State (not affiliated with Miss California pageant).

"I don't expect to win, but I'm leaving that option open. I was really surprised when I won (Miss Santa Clara County)," she said.

Except for the Miss California State pageant, Wirth doesn't plan on competing in any more pageants.

"I plan to (eventually) get married," Wirth said. "My boyfriend is really supportive and always there for me."

Regardless of the outcome of the Miss California State pageant, this summer Wirth plans to audition for the Great America dancers.

She will be graduating in May with a bachelor's in psychology with an emphasis on clinical counseling and hopes to attend graduate school at the University of Santa Clara.

"I want to work with adolescents," Wirth said. "I've always felt that growing up as a teenager is the hardest time (in a person's life)."

Demolition begins on apartment of convicted serial killer Jeffrey Dahmer

MILWAUKEE (AP) — Demolition began today at the apartment building where Jeffrey Dahmer killed many of his victims and kept their body parts.

Campus Circle Project, a non-profit business and community group, bought the building in August and said it was tearing it down out of respect for the families of Dahmer's victims.

"It's just an eyesore for the city," said Shirley Hughes, whose son was slain in Dahmer's apartment about two months before Dah-

mer's arrest last year.

Demolition of the 49-unit building was expected to take about a week.

Dahmer's killing spree was discovered when a man fled from the apartment, a handcuff dangling from his wrist.

Inside, police found body parts in boxes, heads in a refrigerator and a freezer and acid-soaked bones in a vat.

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